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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement contains a concise explanation of the relevance of the foreign language references previously cited in the Information Disclosure Statements filed November 19, 2003 and January 9, 2004.

Initially, German Patent Number DE 101 37 848 A1 claims priority to U.S. Patent No. 6,715,458 B1 (the " '458 Patent"), a copy of which is attached, which discloses an engine comprising an aluminum alloy engine block. The '458 Patent refers in column 3 on lines 10 to 15 to the aluminum silicon alloy that is designated as DISPAL S220 from PEAK Werkstoff GmbH which is an aluminum alloy similar to that referenced in the subject application.

The brochure entitled "DISPAL – Das Werkstoffspektrum" shows several aluminum alloys including an aluminum silicon alloy (AlSi) together with their characteristics. AlSi for example, exhibits durability, high stiffness, a low

coefficient of thermal expansion and firmness, even at high temperatures.

The brochure "DISPAL – Geometrien und Weiterverarbeitung" discloses possible geometries such as tubes, rectangles and further profiles with cross sections up to 12.000 mm² that can be formed from DISPAL. The subsequent treatment of DISPAL can be performed with the typical methods of forming, machine cutting and coating.

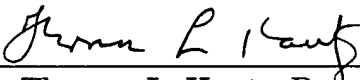
The Examiner is invited to review the subject matter of these references, and independently assess the teachings and materiality of it, if any, to the pending claims. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(h), no admission is made that the information cited herein is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

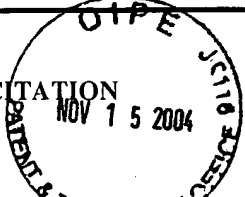
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